

COVID-19 Relief Funding for K-12

Utah State Board of
Education

June 10, 2021

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1. CARES Funding
2. Coronavirus Relief Awards
 - a. K-12 PPE Grant
 - b. K-12 Coronavirus Relief Grant
 - c. San Juan WiFi Grant
 - d. High School Testing Grant
 - e. K-12 Broadband Grant
3. CRRSA Funding
 - a. ESSER II
 - b. GEER II
 - c. EANS I
4. *American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) - In Progress*
 - a. ESSER III (ARP)
 - b. EANS II

Round One - CARES & CRF

May 2020 - September 2020

ESSER I and GEER I MUST BE SPENT BY SEPTEMBER 30, 2022

Award Title	Total Award Value	Amount Reimbursed* (June 10, 2021)	% of Total Award Requested for Reimbursement
ESSER 90%	\$61,039,608	\$44,074,459	72.2%
ESSER 10% LEA Base	\$801,915	\$417,458	52.1%
GEER	\$29,189,663	\$7,264,548	24.9%
K-12 PPE	\$2,852,907	\$2,629,428	92.2%
K-12 CRF	\$15,100,000	\$13,181,929	87.3%
San Juan WiFi	\$3,900,000	\$3,900,000	100%
High School Testing	\$2,750,490	\$2,011,529	73.1%
CLOSED: K-12 Broadband	\$5,000,000	\$4,660,672	93.2%

Round Two - CRRSA

December 2020 - February 2021

ESSER II and GEER II MUST BE SPENT BY SEPTEMBER 30, 2023

Key Points

- Awarded in April 2021
- Over 90% of the ESSER II award has been distributed directly to LEAs
- The majority of LEA plans chose to spend their funds on:
 - Addressing accelerated learning for students
 - Purchasing educational technology
 - Implementing summer learning and supplemental after school activities
- We have heard from rural partners that building climate control is an issue for summer learning activities, but is being addressed with relief funding

ESSER I and ESSER II

- Please note that an LEA will not be able to access ESSER II award funds until they have completed expended ESSER I funds.
- This **will not** be the case for future ESSER ARP

Award Title	Total Award Value	Amount Reimbursed* (June 10, 2021)	% of Total Award Requested for Reimbursement
ESSER II 90%	\$246,664,516	\$177,249	> 0%
ESSER II 10% LEA Base	\$2,942,744	\$7,175	> 0%
GEER II - Not released	\$13,200,165	Not released	Not released
EANS	\$23,778,187	Open application	Open application

Additional Federal Awards from CRRSA Act

GEER II - Governor's Emergency Education Relief Fund

- USBE staff are collaborating on potential needs, which will ultimately be decided by the Governor for Utah K-16

EANS - Emergency Assistance for Non-Public Schools

- USBE staff coordinated with the Governor's office. USBE is serving as the fiscal agent for the award by the U.S. Department of Education

Round Three - ARP Act

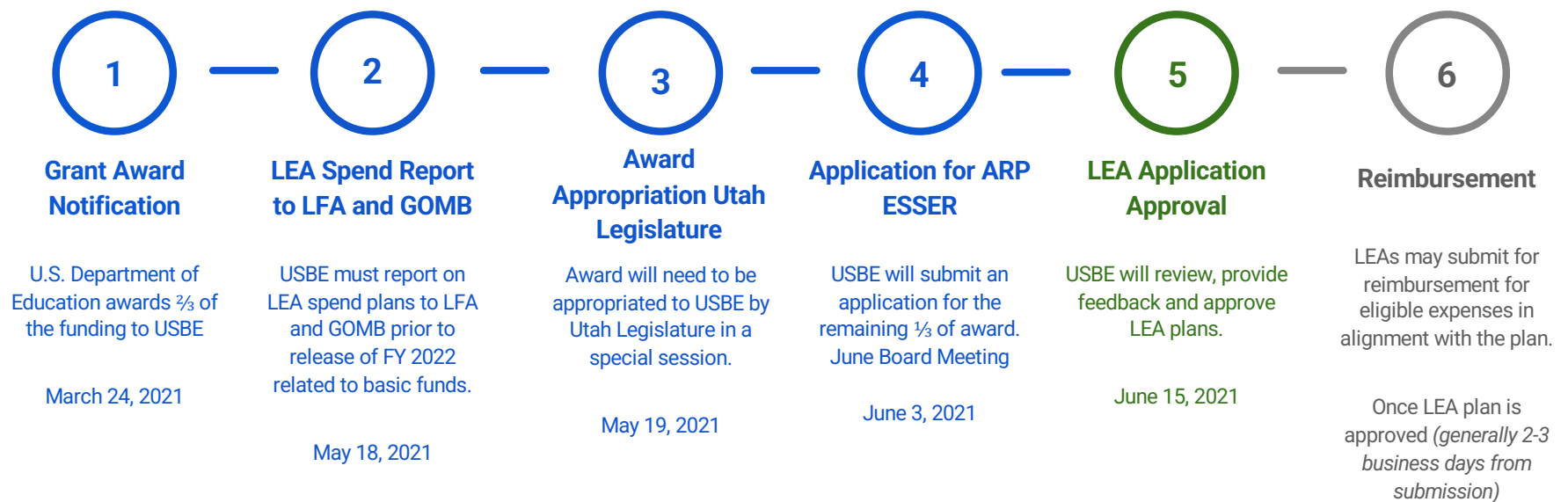
March 2021 - May 2021

ESSER ARP and EANS II MUST BE SPENT BY SEPTEMBER 30, 2024

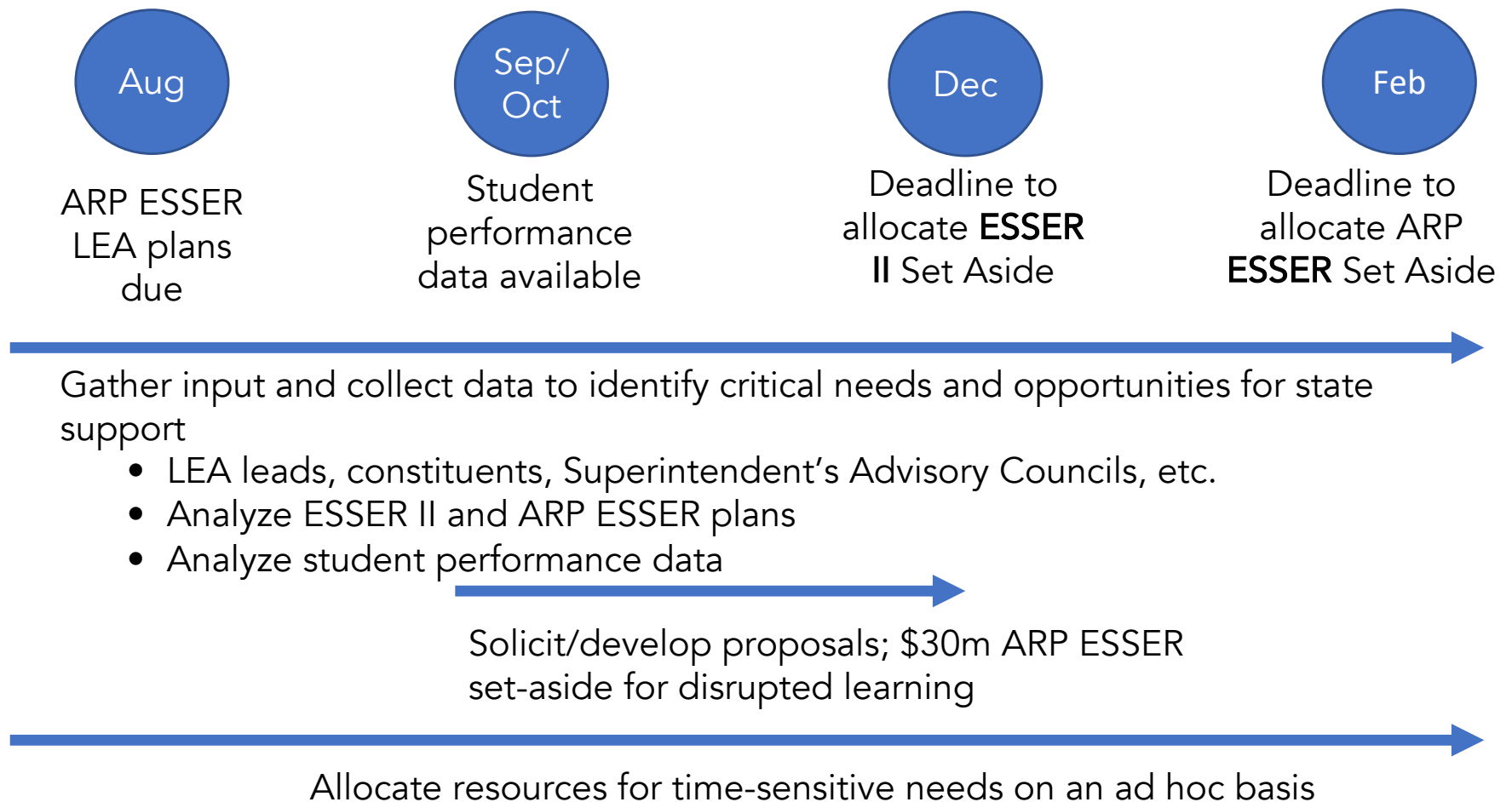
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ARP ESSER Award Timeline for Utah K-12



Timeline for State Set-Aside Determinations



State Transparency Dashboard

- K-12 COVID-19 Relief Funding
- <https://schools.utah.gov/coronavirus>
- Awards and reimbursements in programs funded by federal relief resources
- USBE will include all future awards from ARP ESSER
- The agency is currently working with our Utah Grants Management system to include reporting by allowable use case for ARP ESSER



Questions

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Appendix A: Grant Descriptions and Details

Round One - CARES & CRF

May 2020 - September 2020

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Federal Reporting for CARES

<https://covid-relief-data.ed.gov/>

Funds Awarded Under CARES and CRRSA

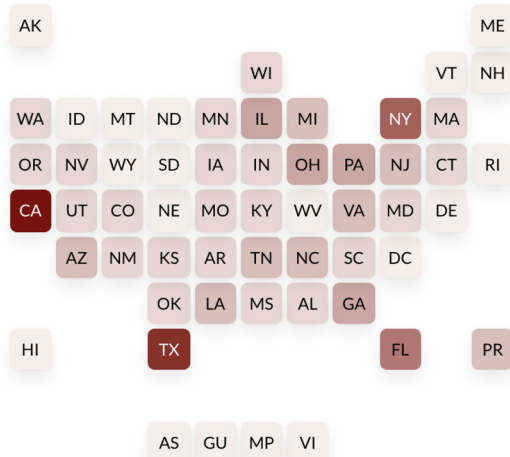
For the reporting period ending February 28, 2021

View Funds by Program

Awarded Spent % Spent

Total ESSER GEER HEER

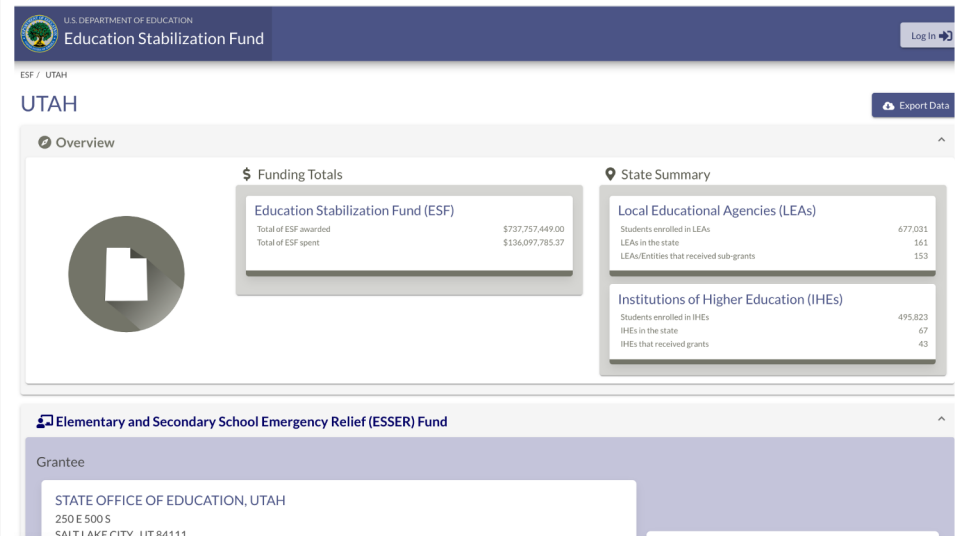
Includes Outlying Area ESF-SEA and ESF-Governor funds



\$0

\$13.6 billion

Maximum awarded to the State & IHEs



ESSER Award - 90% Formula Distribution

- Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund from U.S. Department of Education
- **\$61,039,608** distributed to LEAs based on federal formula to address needs due to COVID-19
- All awards have been approved with plans and are available for reimbursement to the local education agencies.
- Funds available for expenses through September 30, 2022

ESSER Award - 10% State Set Aside Base Awards

- Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund from U.S. Department of Education
- Awarded to LEAs to bring all awards to \$21,194 base funding
- 49 awards have been approved with plans and are available for reimbursement to the local education agencies.
- Funds available for expenses through September 30, 2022

GEER Awards

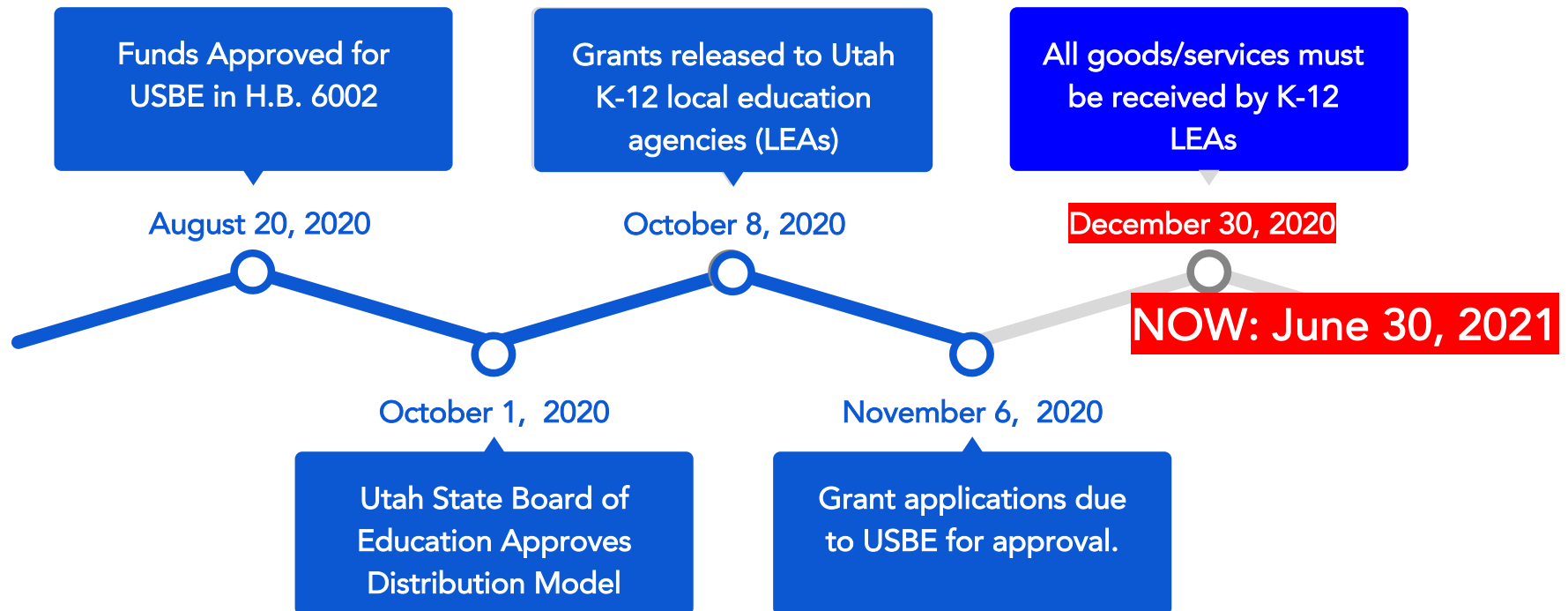
- Governor's Emergency Education Relief Fund
- **\$29,189,663** awarded to LEAs in coordination with the Governor's Office to serve special education and at-risk student groups with needs due to COVID-19
- All awards have been approved with plans and are available for reimbursement to the local education agencies.
- Funds available for expenses through September 30, 2022

Approved K-12 CRF Use Cases

H.B. 6002, August 2020

1. San Juan WiFi Project
2. K-12 Personal Protective Equipment
3. K-12 Classroom Supplies, Enhancements and Equipment
 - a. K-12 Broadband Services

Timeline for Coronavirus Relief Funds (CRF)



San Juan WiFi Award

- \$3.9M Authorized to support San Juan expansion of broadband to students and households
- Award claimed in Utah Grants Management and available for local reimbursement requests through December 30, 2020
- San Juan District leaders report towers are going up and the new server has been procured and arrived to expand filtering services

K-12 Personal Protective Equipment Grant Status

- \$3.9M Authorized
 - \$1,047,093 spent for statewide PPE (non-contact thermometers, disinfectant wipes, hand sanitizer stands, hand sanitizer)
 - \$2,852,907 for LEA grant awards
- \$5,000 base plus distribution on September 9, 2020 headcount
- For K-12 personal protective equipment and cleaning service needs due to COVID-19

K-12 Coronavirus Relief Fund Grant Status

- \$15.1M Authorized
 - \$1,000,000 authorized for K-12 Broadband Grant Awards (USBE, September 2020)
 - \$14.1M for LEA grant awards
- \$5,000 base plus distribution on September 9, 2020 headcount
- For classroom supplies, enhancements and equipment needs due to COVID-19
- Additionally \$59,278 was awarded to our regional service centers to address remote learning needs such as “teacher tech take home kits”

High School Testing Grant

- Awards to LEAs to rapid COVID-19 high school testing for students and teachers in alignment with the state mandate.
- \$10,000 base award plus supplemental funding in proportion to the number of students reported to USBE in the September 9, 2020 headcount.
- Regional service centers had their LEA awards aggregated and conferred as a single award
- Funding awarded to USBE through MOU with UDOH
- This is a reimbursement grant that is administered through the Utah Grants Management system.

K-12 Broadband Grant Awards

- Awards to LEAs to provide broadband to students in need due to COVID-19
- 41 LEA Awards
- \$5,000,000 awarded for prepayment of services by December 30, 2020
- Funding awarded to USBE through IAA with UETN
- Projected to serve 34,500 students

Round Two - CRRSA

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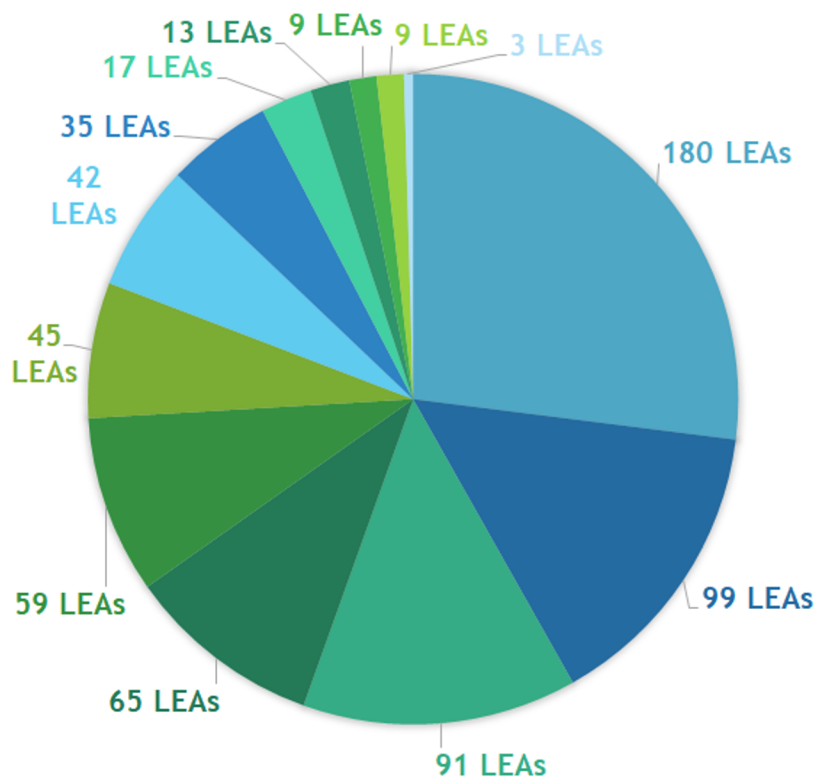
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Review of ESSER II LEA Plans

ESSER II Overview

- Total Utah allocation: \$274,071,684
- Same distribution method as ESSER 1-Title 1 Formula Distribution with USBE establishing an additional base allocation using state set-aside
 - Awards are slightly more than four times the ESSER I award
 - State base for ESSER II is \$84,777 per LEA
- Available for obligation by SEAs and subrecipients through September 30, 2023
- Grant application was reissued to community on February 11, 2021
 - Applications were due to USBE on March 31, 2021
- LEAs cannot request reimbursement of ESSER II funds until they have expended all ESSER I funds

LEA Expenditure by Category



- 12 Addressing accelerated learning among students
- 9 Purchase educational technology for students
- 11 Planning and implementing summer learning supplemental afterschool programs
- 7 Purchase supplies to sanitize and clean facilities
- 15 Activities necessary to maintain operation and continuity of services
- 10 Providing mental health services and supports
- 3 Providing principals and other school leaders with needed resources
- 4 Activities to address unique needs of particular students
- 8 Planning for and coordination during long-term closures
- 5 Develop and implement systems to improve LEA preparedness and response efforts
- 6 Training for staff on sanitization and minimizing spread of infectious disease
- 2 Coordination of response efforts of LEAs with other agencies
- 1 Activities authorized by ESEA, IDEA, AEFLA, Perkins, or the McKinney-Vento Act

LEA Budget Category Totals

Budget Category	Total
Salaries	\$129,198,567.38
Employee Benefits	\$43,497,942.65
Professional & Tech Services	\$10,930,213.68
Property Services	\$77,785.73
Other Purchased Services	\$2,927,098.93
Travel	\$2,175,678.77
Supplies & Materials	\$52,127,490.69
Property including Equipment	\$2,035,947.44
Other	\$3,500.00
Indirect Cost	\$6,749,538.22

Special Session S.B. 1001

The Legislature intends that expenditures upon which state funding is contingent under Item 11 of Public Education Budget Amendments (House Bill 2, 2021 General Session) be modified to allow **Tintic School District, North Sanpete School District, Sevier School District, Wayne County School District, Garfield County School District, Piute County School District, or Emery County School District**, to expend funding from the federal Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund II, with agreement of the State Superintendent of Public Instruction, on items listed in paragraphs (1)(a) and (1)(b) of the intent language to facilitate efforts to address disrupted learning for students during summer 2021.

(Line 1114 - 1125)

EANS I Program

- Utah Emergency Assistance for Non-Public Schools: \$23,778,187
- Application released March 2021
 - Round One Application for Reimbursement due April 30, 2021
 - Round Two Application for Future Services due May 28, 2021
- Information posted on the Utah State Board of Education website:

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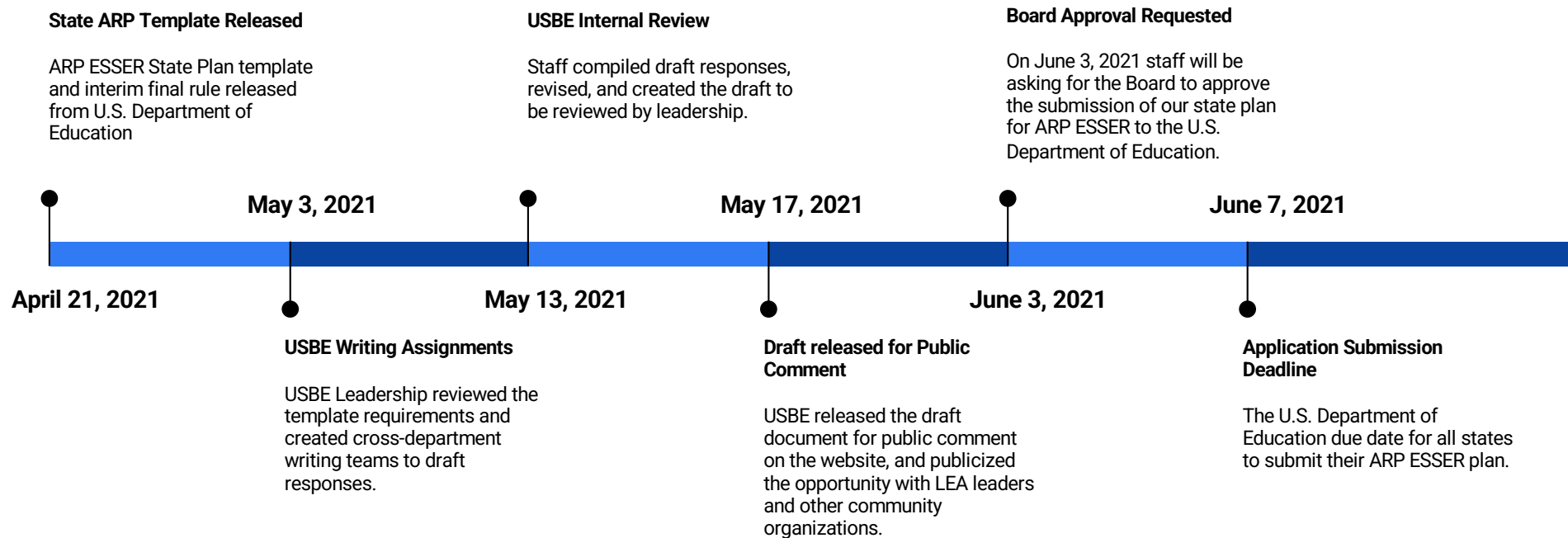
ARP ESSER: Two Part Award

March 24, 2021

USBE received access to two-thirds of the total ARP ESSER funds.

The award letter requires that USBE submit a state plan for the total award to the U.S. Department of Education.

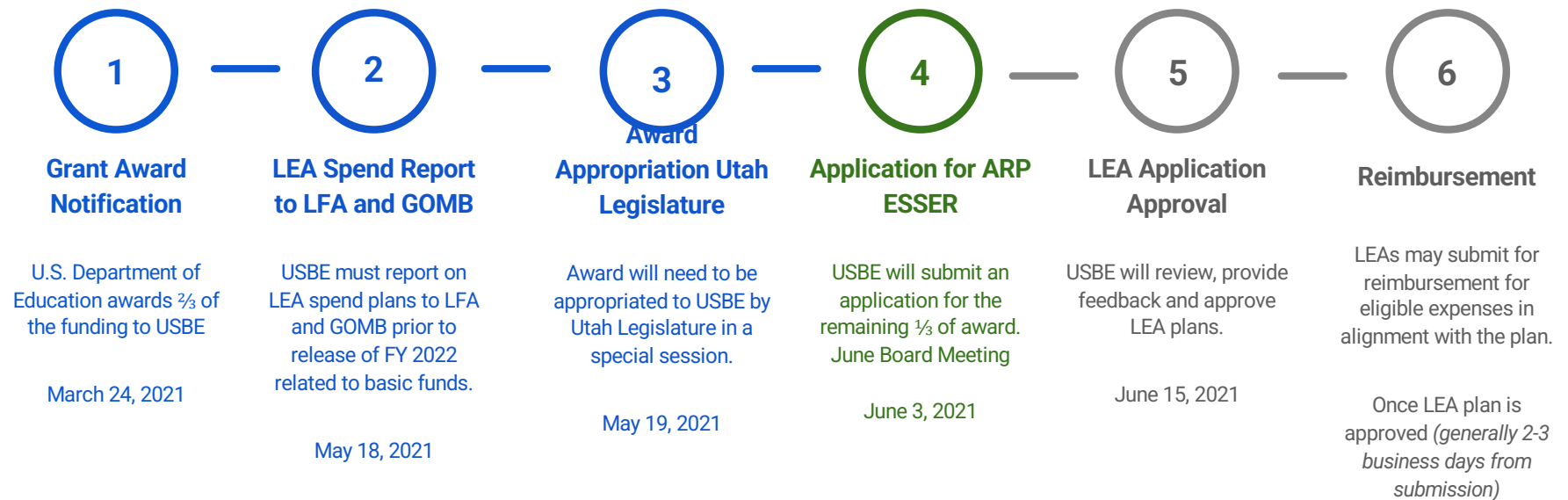
ARP ESSER State Plan Timeline



State Plan Highlighted Actions

- Requires that the LEA engage in meaningful consultation with stakeholders to develop their local plan.
 - This is demonstrated by having their local plan approved by the local school board in a public meeting.
- USBE encouraging the LEA's complete a needs assessment to inform their plan development.
- USBE asks the LEA to describe how they will ensure the interventions respond to the academic, social, emotional, and mental health needs of students due to COVID-19.

ARP ESSER Award Timeline for Utah K-12



Draft Timeline for ARP ESSER

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 - Grants released in the Utah Grants Management System
- **August 20, 2021** - Applications DUE to USBE
 - USBE will be reviewing and approving applications as they are received, with outcomes for most applications in 2-3 business days.

The role of the ARP ESSER State Plan

The State Plan DOES:

- Meet the U.S. Department of Education requirements
- Provide an update on our actions for ESSER I and ESSER II
- Provide a high level response for plans for ARP ESSER

The State Plan DOES NOT:

- Limit the SEA response to COVID-19 related needs
- Limit Utah LEAs on allowable expenditures

Public Comment

- 66 visits and 44 respondents
- Feedback has been responded to using tracked changes in the attached revised drafts with changes outlined on the first page (documents V2).
- Feedback from USEAP submitted via email, also included in backup.

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Principles for State Set-Aside Determinations

- Meets federal guidelines for grant use
- Represents a resource USBE is uniquely positioned to provide (e.g., more efficient, more equitable)
- Most critical and/or most widespread issues facing schools and students
- Provides sizeable payoff/net present benefit
- Incentivizes systems change in light of lessons learned as a result of pandemic

ESSER Awards in K-12

State Reserve Requests

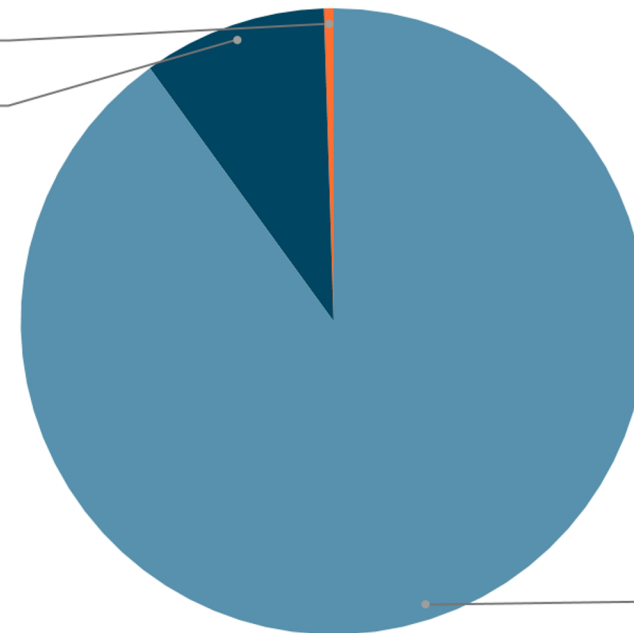
ESSER Funding Distribution

State Administration

0.5%

State Reserve

9.5%



LEA Awards

90.0%

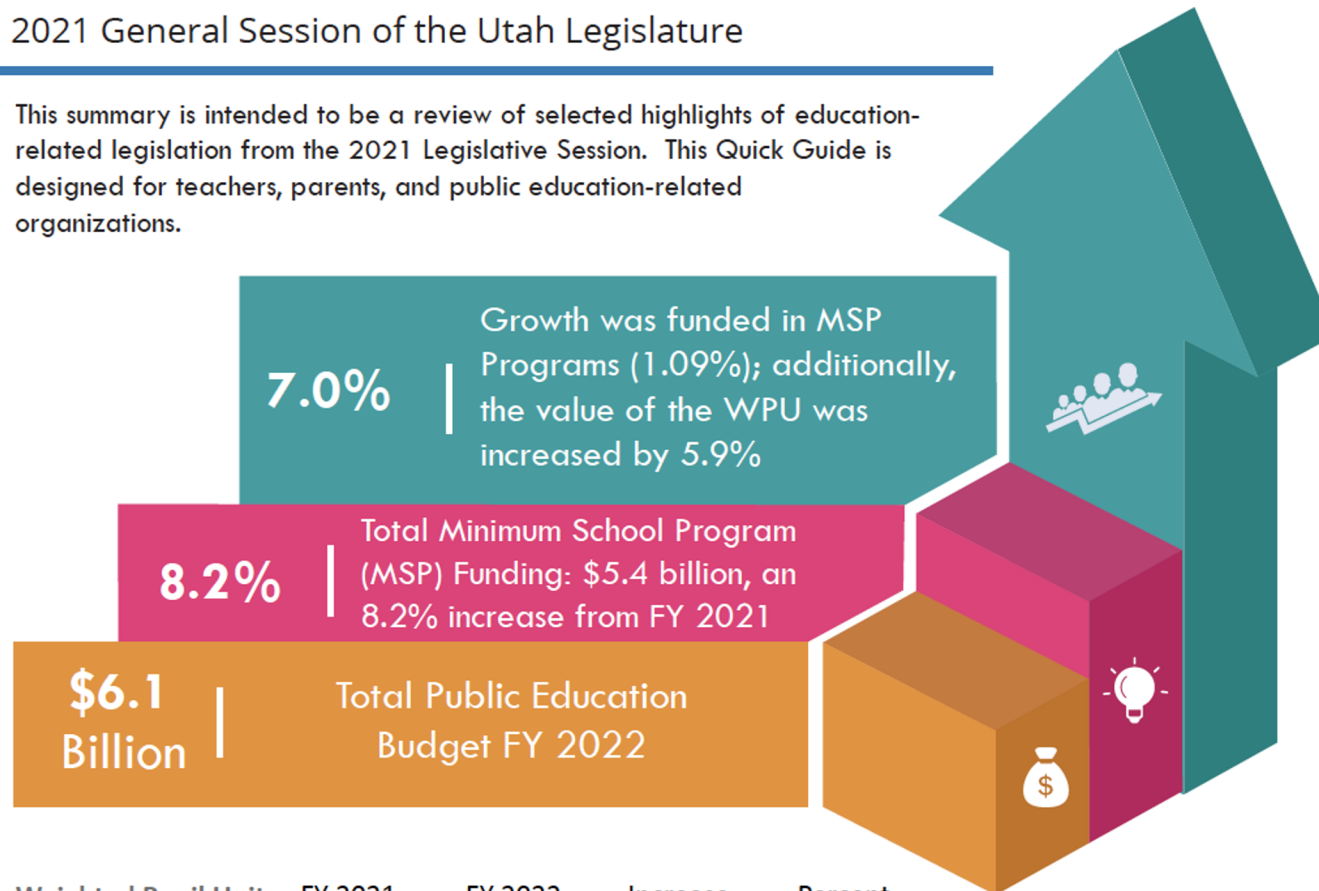
ARPA Broadband Resources

- **Emergency Connectivity Fund:** \$7.2 billion is provided to the E-rate program for home internet access and connected devices through UETN.
- **Emergency Broadband Benefit:** Federal assistance available through internet providers
 - Up to \$50 per month towards internet service
 - Up to \$75 per month for households on Tribal lands
 - \$100 toward a computer from participating providers
 - You are eligible if at least one member of your household:
 - Qualifies for [Lifeline](#) telephone/broadband program.
 - Receives free or reduced school lunch.
 - Received a Federal Pell Grant during the current year.
 - Experienced a loss of income due to COVID-19.
 - Participate in an existing low-income internet or COVID-19 program.

QUICK GUIDE

2021 General Session of the Utah Legislature

This summary is intended to be a review of selected highlights of education-related legislation from the 2021 Legislative Session. This Quick Guide is designed for teachers, parents, and public education-related organizations.



Weighted Pupil Unit (WPU) Value	FY 2021	FY 2022	Increase	Percent
	\$3,596	\$3,809	\$213	5.9%

UTAH CORONAVIRUS STIMULUS SUMMARY

1st Wave of Federal Funding <i>CARES ACT/FFCRA: March/April 2020</i> <i>Estimated Total: \$13.6 B'</i>		2nd Wave of Federal Funding <i>Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021: December 2020</i> <i>Estimated Total: \$4.3 B'</i>		3rd Wave of Federal Funding ⁶ <i>American Rescue Plan Act: March 2021</i> <i>Preliminary Estimated Total: >\$8.4 B'</i>		State Funding <i>2020/2021</i> <i>Total: \$63 M</i>
New and Supplemental Grants	Direct Economic Relief	New and Supplemental Grants	Direct Economic Relief	New and Supplemental Grants	Direct Economic Relief	State Funds
Coronavirus Relief Fund Total: \$1.25 B Local: \$562.5 M • Distributed by Unified Command: \$247 M • Distributed by U.S. Treasury: \$315.5 M State: \$688 M ² • Public Health: \$274 M • Economic: \$266 M • Education: \$148 M	Paycheck Protection Program (PPP): \$5.26 B	Emergency Rental Assistance Utah: \$215.5 M State (DWS): \$150.4 M Salt Lake County: \$29 M Utah County: \$19.2 M Davis County: \$10.8 M Salt Lake City: \$6 M UDOH: \$185 M (Testing, epidemiology, and lab capacity) UDOH Vaccine Administration: \$29 M	Additional PPP: \$1.3 B	Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds Total: \$2.7 B Local: \$1.09 B State: \$1.52 B State Capital Projects: \$136 M Higher Education: \$500 M K-12 Education: \$682 M Transit: \$174 M Other State ³ : \$526 M Other State and Local Targeted Grants: TBD	Expanded Safety Net Tax Credits: TBD	2020 General Session: \$24 M Public Health: \$4.5M Education: \$9.25 M Rental Assistance: \$1 M Reallocated: \$9.2 M 2021 General Session: \$39 M Quarantine Leave Grants: \$2.5 M Learn and Work and Outreach: \$18 M Rural EMS: \$6 M Buffer: \$12.5 M
	Economic Impact Payments: \$2.6 B		Economic Impact Payments: \$1.6 B		Economic Impact Payments: \$3.8 B	
	Economic Injury Disaster Loans: \$1.42 B		Unemployment Assistance: >\$100 M		Economic Injury Disaster Loans: TBD	
	Provider Relief Funds: \$483 M				Additional PPP: TBD	
Higher Education: \$151 M	Food Assistance: \$135 M	Higher Education: \$287 M			Unemployment Assistance: TBD	
K-12 Education: \$181 M	Unemployment Assistance: \$1.1 B	K-12 Education: \$314 M			Other Economic Relief: TBD	
Transit: \$313 M	Other Economic: \$141 M	Transit: \$155 M				
UDOH Testing: \$88.6 M		Other State ³ : \$148 M				
Other State ³ : \$430 M		Other Local ⁴ : \$9 M				
Other Local ⁴ : \$49 M		Rural Broadband: TBD amount of \$300 M				
FEMA Reimbursements						
Received: \$55 M to date at 75% reimbursement ⁵		\$130 M in Pending Requests: \$18 M (remaining 25%), \$32 M vaccinations, \$80 M testing and public health				

Questions to Consider

1. What were/are the impacts of COVID-19 on our students, teachers, and schools?
2. What data sets do we already have that help inform the extent of those impacts? *Think of existing data sources that could be compared from before March 13, 2020 and now.*
3. What have we already spent our early COVID-19 response funding on thus far? Did that work or help address the impacts of COVID-19?
4. Looking forward, what is our plan for schools in the future?